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### HOME MATTERS.

#### Personal.

**HIT.**—R. C. Hitt has been reappointed by Gov. Oglesby public administrator for La Salle county.

**LAFFERTY.**—John Lafferty, an old Ottawa boy, now of the firm of Lars, Larson & Lafferty, Galesburg, was in the city a few days ago, shaking hands with his many old-time acquaintances. Mr. Lafferty looked as though the sun of prosperity had marked him for its own. Everybody was glad to see Jack, as he was familiarly called.

**BURNS.**—T. H. Burns, who acquired much local celebrity as a Republican candidate for the legislature some two years ago, is now one of J. E. Porter's missionaries selling agricultural implements.

**PARTY.**—Mrs. William Milne, of Lockport, recently gave a very pleasant party in honor of her sisters, Mrs. Bradley and Mrs. William Thomas, of this city.

**YOUNG.**—J. B. Young, recently connected with the *Marquette News*, was in this city Tuesday. He says that that paper is about to join the innumerable caravan of newspapers suspended for want of patronage.

For the next ten days we will sell photograph and autograph albums 20 per cent cheaper than have ever been sold before. Our stock can not be equalled in this city. Call and examine. **CITY DRUG STORE.**

Just received, another lot of those fine overshoes at **CHILD & PHIPPS.**

Get your candy and nuts for the holidays. Hess, the noted confectioner, has on the way an immense stock of choice fresh candies and nuts of all kinds.

**DR.**—Dr. William Sheppard received a commission from Springfield yesterday conveying to him the appointment of Assistant State Veterinarian for this district. The appointment will be cordially approved by all who know Dr. Sheppard.

Candy sold at E. J. Colwell's as cheap as good pure candy can be sold.

Standard diaries for 1886 at E. Y. Griggs.

For cheaped hands, face and lips, use **Kaloderma.** 25 cents, at E. Y. Griggs.

**San Francisco and City of Mexico Excursions.**

The Illinois Central R. R. will run **TWO FIRST CLASS PULLMAN CAR EXCURSIONS**, the second week in January 1886—one to **SAN FRANCISCO**, the other to the **CITY OF MEXICO**, stopping four days at New Orleans, one day at San Antonio, and one at Chihuahua. The round trip rates to either point will be as follows: From all points in Illinois between Freeport and Ashley, and Chicago and Ashley, \$113.15; from Dubuque, \$115.50; Sioux City, \$125.00; Points between Ashley, Ill., and Jackson, Miss., including St. Louis, Memphis, Aberdeen and Yazoo City, \$110.00. Tickets good to return within 6 months. Remember the great American Exposition at New Orleans will be at its best at this season of the year. No snow, no ice, no blizzards, along this route. Address the undersigned at Manchester, Iowa, for Excursion circular, giving full particulars, and for folders, maps, books, &c., concerning California and Old Mexico.

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Nuts of all kinds at E. J. Colwell's.

Get a box of that delicious candy at E. J. Colwell's.

#### From Rutland.

**RUTLAND, Dec. 9.**—The pleasant weather we youngsters have made such good use of for some time past has at last let up, and the present snow and ice are correspondingly unpleasant.

Sleighting may do for the hot-blooded youngsters to indulge in, but give us old heads a good buggy and a smooth road. The young man that froze his right ear till it looked like a wilted cabbage leaf, while out sleighing Sunday night, thinks so too.

Not to be behind their neighbors, Rutland and Manlius have their terror in the shape of a ferocious wild animal (?) that trails through the forests, uttering its blood-curdling cries and screeches, greatly to the terror of small boys and timid women.

Accordingly, a large party of mounted horsemen, armed to the teeth, and with hounds enough to make a dozen men poor to feed, started for the trail of the terrible beast. After riding over hills and through hollows until nearly night without seeing anything larger than a poor little rabbit, and frightening the wits out of a fox or two, the party returned slowly home with guns lowered and flags at half mast. To give the names of this party would be useless, suffice to say that it was composed of Rutland's famous hunters.

The house warming at D. H. Wickwire's was well attended, and all present report a good time.

Some of our local talent are talking of getting up a drama to be given during the holidays.

Frank Alexander was badly hurt last Sunday evening. He was riding a horse and it fell, catching his foot under it in such a

manner that he has been unable to use it since.

**Mrs. Maurice Weaver**, of Paxton, Ill., has been visiting relatives and friends in this vicinity.

A number of Rutlanders took in the play at Ottawa last Saturday night.

There is to be a trial of skill in shooting in a match at C. E. Foster's today.

We forgot to mention in our last communication that the donation party cleared over \$10 at Mr. Outman's.

Wonder what has become of our festive Peter? He had better look after his laurels or he may lose the race on the "home stretch" after all.

Our neighbor, **Walt Blackwell**, has a new horse that will pony up with the best of them.

G. RANGER.

#### From Utica.

**UTICA, Dec. 10.**—"The beautiful" snow has come and now can be seen all of our young folks sleighing. The long wished for long feared has come at last.

John Capil, while carrying a boiler of boiling water, a few days ago, let one side of the boiler drop, spilling the water in his boot and scalding his foot so badly that the doctors think it impossible to save his foot.

Our accomplished friend, **Will Jamison**, intends to spend the winter months in New Orleans. Suppose he'll take his best girl along.

**Mr. I. N. Warrick** spent last week in Livingston county. **Mr. Patrick Neary**, of Goodland, Ind., is the guest of his uncle, **Jake Neary**, of this township.

**Edward Douvia** has sold out his farming utensils and intends to reside in the city hereafter. His brother **John** will superintend the farm in his stead.

**Messrs. Al Veeder and Wm. Stevenson** have just returned from Kansas.

A call has been issued for a meeting of the High School Teachers of Northern Illinois, to be held at Ottawa Dec. 18th and 19th—next Friday and Saturday.

The object to be attained by the formation of an organization of such teachers are those used to teachers' associations with the special advantage of specializing work and papers to a degree attainable in State and District Associations. The call is signed by the principals of the High Schools of Peoria, Rockford, Hyde Park, Moline, Rock Island, and Ottawa. The programme for the meeting includes organization, general business, and papers by **Chas. A. Smith**, of Rockford, on "The Classics in the High School," and by **Prof. Colton**, of this city, on "Science in the High School." The meeting is expected to be a most interesting one in every way.

Artists' materials in abundance at **Chas. Forbes**.

A nice article for a Christmas present would be one of those mirrors with plush or antique frames, at **CITY DRUG STORE.**

See our \$3, \$4 and \$5 overcoats at **Oak Hall** this week.

The location of the Soldiers' Home at Quincy proves this, if it proves anything, that the "Q" is mightier than the C. R. I. & P.

Beautiful silk and wool mufflers, just the thing for a holiday present, at **Oak Hall**.

#### From Ransom.

**RANSOM, Dec. 4.**—D. K. Rickards is on the sick list.

**W. S. Summers**, a member of the legal fraternity of Beatrice, Nebraska, was in town Saturday.

A gentleman is in town who is trying to induce some of the "old vets." to take up soldiers' claims in Kansas.

**James Wilkinson** is home from Mich.

**Miss M. C. Sane** is very ill. We hope it shall be of short duration.

**Miss Katie McIntyre** has returned from a visit with Streator friends.

The ball Thanksgiving evening was well attended.

There will be a masquerade at the rink Dec. 18. It will be the first ever given in Ransom.

**Wilkinson's band** played at a dance in Blackstone Friday night.

Editorial matters are attended to in Allen by the following: In No. 1, **George Shear**; No. 2, **O. W. Rich**; No. 3, **Mr. Williams**; No. 4, **Miss Louisa McIntyre**; No. 5, **W. B. McIntyre** and **Miss Phillips**; No. 6, **R. Sexton**; No. 7, **G. Folk**; No. 8, **Miss Katie Mulvihill**; No. 9, **Miss Libbie Voorhees**.

**Miss Nellie Crangle** is teaching that "knowledge is power" in Otter Creek tp., and **J. M. O'Mara** in No. 7, Brookfield.

**Uncle Tommie Kemper** is visiting Dr. Ives, in Farm Ridge.

**Rink query:** Why does not Josie skate? Dr. McCoy has been summoned to appear to testify in the West shooting affair.

**G. E. Shackleton** was in town last week. He talks of starting in business in Chicago.

**Chris. Schafer** and **Mrs. Miller** have bid adieu to single blessedness and hereafter will go hand in hand through life.

The City Dads will soon begin the erection of the bastille, and some of the night lodgers of the tile works will have a more comfortable place to snooze in.

SCRIPTOR.

**Scott Bros. & Co.**

Will commence a grand clearing out sale of cloaks next Monday.

200 Cloaks to be sold next week. A large lot of children's and misses' cloaks just received.

No matter what kind of a cloak you may want, a cheap cloak, say from \$2.50 to \$5, or a medium priced cloak, from \$7.00 to \$15.00, or a fine cloak, from \$20.00 to \$50.00, you will find the largest assortment in La Salle county in this store, at a big saving for your pocketbook.

**HOME.**—E. W. Bosserman, better known as "Ike," has returned to Ottawa after a ten days visit in Pennsylvania, the land of his birth, which he has not seen for 31 years.

Ottawa is the best place to buy goods, and Hull's store, one of the oldest and most reliable, will always lead in the lowest prices. Remember it when in the city.

Great bargains now await you in our gents' furnishing goods department, which includes everything new and desirable in shirts, underwear, neckwear, collars, cuffs, handkerchiefs, hosiery, suspenders, and many other things which add to the appearance of well-dressed gentlemen. Quality highest, prices lowest.

**M. STEFFEL,**  
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The firm of **Hamilton & Wells** has been dissolved, and is now known under the title of **J. H. Wells & Co.**

Holiday candies and nuts, pure and fresh, at **Hess's**.

For the holidays.

**Lorriaux** has some holiday goods which he is selling away down. He has family illustrated bibles, albums of all kinds, scrap books and scrap pictures, cigar cases, pocket books, cut bottles, perfume, toilet goods, all good and useful articles, at moderate prices.

**D. LORRIAUX.**

Art bronze pictures and many novelties at **Trask's**, suitable for holiday goods.

A handsome oil painting of "Lover's Leap" is on exhibition at **Hummert & Duncan's**, Mrs. S. W. Reger, artist. There is also some very beautiful work by **Miss Laura Lindley**, consisting of bangle boards in Kensington style.

Gold-headed canes, in great variety at **Trask's**. They are just the thing for a lady to give a gentleman for a holiday gift.

Special sale of Smyrna rugs, all sizes and new designs, at **Scott Bros. & Co's** next week.

**P. S.**—Also notice the low prices this firm are selling carpets and remnants of carpets for now.

**Wm. H. Vanderbilt's** vast amount of wealth could not purchase sixty seconds longer life.

But 20c will buy 1 lb of mixed nuts. 10 cents for 1 lb gumdrops. 20c for 1 lb home made candy. 50c will buy 1 gallon of **McMullen's No. 1** syrup.

**Amusements.**

The **Graham Earle** combination which has been at the opera house this week has drawn very light houses.

**Bayse's** dramatic company, which so pleased Ottawa people recently, will be here holiday week and will open in "Monte Cristo."

**Abel**, the cow boy pianist at the rink, is pronounced by all who heard him as a marvelous musician.

The opera of **Red Riding Hood** produced at Turn Hall Thursday night was one in which all taking part acquitted themselves very nicely. The matinee performance, which was advertised to take place this afternoon at 2 o'clock, will be given at 4 o'clock instead.

**Sarah Frank**, mother of A. Frank, of this city, died at her home, in Baltimore, on Sunday.

**Skates.**

Finest line in the city at bottom prices at **Kendall's**.

The place to buy holiday presents is **C. M. Forbes**.

As nice a line of dressing cases as a person would like to look at, at the **City Drug Store**. We will not say anything in regard to prices, but call and compare.

**Walt! Walt! Walt!**

Until you have been to **Hess's** place of business, west of court house. He has now ready for holiday inspection the largest assortment of gems in jewelry that has yet been offered to the trade, and it is not stretching it one particle to say that he keeps the best and most unexceptionable stock, from the brilliant diamonds to an ordinary clock. He handles a stock that gives customers a good chance to select from. He has an extraordinary display of hollow silverware, watches in gold and silver, bracelets, bangles, napkin rings, finger rings and many beautiful things too numerous to mention. We want to tell you not to forget to call on **D. Hess** for your holiday goods.

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**Hess's Candies.**

Hess, the baker and confectioner, is receiving a large stock of candies and fresh nuts—the largest lots ever brought to the city. Go to Hess for your candies and nuts, nice and fresh.

**Rev. C. S. Armstrong**, of Alton, will occupy the pulpit of the Presbyterian church tomorrow, and during the week will conduct evening meetings. All are cordially invited.

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